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1. Repeated rumors inside Bulgaria indicate that Vulko Chervenkov is in disfavor with the Soviet Government and that he will be dismissed shortly.
2. The Razgrad-Iisperikh rail line has been completed; it is now contemplated continuing the line from Iisperikh to Siliстria on the Danube. For this purpose, necessary materials have been stockpiled in the Iasperikh station and other nearby way stations.
3. As of 19 September 1951, the following units were present in Shumen (Kolarovgrad):
 - a. 3 Heavy Artillery Regiment;
 - b. 3 Engineer Regiment;
 - c. 3 Signal Regiment;
 - d. 3 QM Battalion;
 - e. 5 Field Artillery Regiment; and
 - f. 7 Infantry Regiment.
4. The 5 Infantry Regiment is garrisoned in Ruse. Units of the regiment go out daily for training exercises in the nearby vicinity. The QM company of 5 Infantry Regiment is quartered in the center of Ruse.
5. As of 16 September 1951, there was an unidentified infantry regiment located in Vidin; this regiment was rumored to be 3 Infantry Regiment. An unidentified antitank regiment is also stationed in Vidin.
6. On 17 and 19 September 1951, 4 Infantry Regiment was quartered in barracks located on the east side of Pleven. Until 20 August 1951, the regiment was absent from Pleven on maneuvers. **CONFIDENTIAL**
7. There is an artillery unit bivouacked in open fields two kilometers north

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of Sliven. This unit has 100 guns, including field artillery and heavy artillery pieces.

8. At the end of August 1951, a train with troops and equipment was observed passing through Kirovograd. This unit was allegedly en route to Burgas where it was permanently stationed. This same train was observed by other informants who stated that the train was composed of 23 cars, eight of which were passenger cars carrying troops, and 15 flat cars carrying one heavy artillery piece each; these informants also indicated that the destination of the train was Burgas.
9. As of 19 September 1951, all Tsvetovaks were transferred from Sliven to Kirovograd because the Sliven barracks were needed for new incoming troops of an unidentified unit.
10. Allegedly, General Slatcho Trunski has been relieved as commander of 3 Army and has been replaced by General Vasilev.

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